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WE CLAIM:

- A method of creating a customized command environment
 comprising:
 - launching an external command to capture a system command environment;

storing the system command environment in an array of strings; adding at least one parameter string to the array of strings; and linking the command to the command environment with the added parameter string.

- 2. The method of claim 1 wherein the external command is any invocation of an external command to perform a predetermined task.
- 3. The method of claim 1 wherein the external command is launched from within a programming application.
- 4. The method of claim 1 wherein the additional parameter string added to the array of strings may include variables to be passed to the customized command environment.

5. A computer usable medium storing a program for creating a specialized command environment comprising:

computer readable code to launch an external command to capture a system command environment;

computer readable code to store the system command environment in an array of strings;

computer readable code to add at least one parameter string to the array of strings; and

computer readable code to link the command environment with the added parameter string.

6. The computer usable medium of claim 5 wherein the external command is any invocation of an external command to perform a predetermined task.

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- 7. The computer usable medium of claim 5 wherein the external command is launched from within a programming application.
- 8. The computer usable medium of claim 5 wherein the additional parameter string added to the array of strings may include variables to be passed to the customized command environment.

- 9. A system for creating a specialized command environment comprising:
- means for launching an external command to capture a system 5 command environment;
 - means for storing the system command environment in an array of strings;
 - means for adding at least one parameter string to the array of strings; and
- means for linking the command to the command environment with the added parameter string.